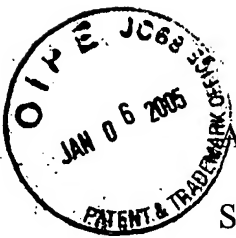


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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Official Action dated 8 October 2004, please
amend the above-referenced Patent Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that
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